

P&G Case 9119R2

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of :
Barry Jay Anderson et al. : Confirmation No.
Serial No. To be assigned : Group Art Unit
Filed July 9, 2003 : Examiner

For PRESS FOR SIMULATING COMPRESSION LOADING OF A POINT SITE ON A
WORKPIECE IN A NIP TYPE PROCESS

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Applicants admit that the assignee of the present application constructed and used commercially on December 3, 2001 a press for ring roll simulation. The press comprised a stationary plate and a movable carriage having a second plate. The carriage was driven towards the first plate such that a workpiece was compressively engaged by the first and second plates. The carriage was driven by linear servo motors. A controller was coupled to the motors and received feedback information from a linear encoder (position of the carriage) and load cells (force applied by the plates to the workpiece).

1. ☒ 37 C.F.R. §1.97 (b)(1) - U.S. Direct (within 3-months of filing a regular application or converted provisional)

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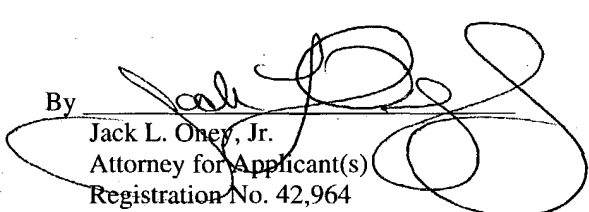
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